

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of )  
FUJIBAYASHI et al. )  
Application Number: To be Assigned )  
Filed: Concurrently herewith )  
For: COMPUTER SYSTEM USING DISK )  
CONTROLLER AND OPERATING SERVICE )  
THEREOF )  
Attorney Docket No. NITT.0179 )

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows: